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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: F. CESARE

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For: LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT POLYMERS AND THEIR USE AS DISPERSION AIDS

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1 and 14 to read as follows (a marked-up version of those claims wherein the additions are underlined is attached hereto):

1. (Thrice amended) A polymer formed from monomers comprising ethylene; $CH_2=CHQ$ wherein Q is C_1-C_8 alkyl; and optionally a non-conjugated polyene; wherein